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in re.U.S. Patent Application of:

APPLICANTS: Thomas Busse

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TOUCH-ENTRY USER INPUT DEVICE

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This paper is herewith filed as a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and in response to the Examiner's final Office Action mailed on March 11, 2008 for the abovecaptioned U.S. Patent Application. Please consider this as a petition for an extension of time necessary to effect this Response A draft in the amount of \$120 is included for an extension of time fee and a draft in the amount of \$810 is included for the RCE fee. However, should the undersigned agent be mistaken, please charge deposit account no. 50-1924 for any required fee deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.

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INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

On March 12, 2008, the undersigned agent conducted a telephone interview with the Examiner. Independent claims of the Application, and in particular independent claim 25 were discussed. The undersigned agent submitted that features of independent claims 1, 18, 22, and 25 were not seen to be disclosed or suggested in the references cited against the Application. Further, it was indicated by the undersigned agent that the reference Barrus did not distinguish between an initiation and completion of a user input as would seem should be present to support the rejections of the claims. The undersigned agent pointed out this shortfall in the language of Barrus as cited by the Examiner in the rejections. The Examiner indicated that the claim language was not sufficiently specific as relating to an initiation and completion of a user input. Further, the Examiner appeared to indicate that the "keystroke signal" in Barrus could also be seen to be at an initiation and that the keypress information is sent at a completion of the user input. The undersigned agent expressed disagreement with the Examiner's assertions and the interview was ended without an agreement.

It is believed that the above interview summary should constitute a full and appropriate response to any interview summary subsequently sent by the Examiner. As such, should such an Examiner Interview Summary be received, no further response will be submitted thereto.